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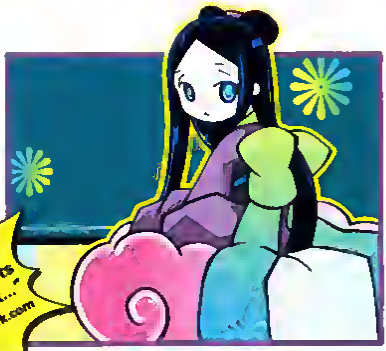

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Couple of Cessations

Fanta escapes from the prohibitory spell and goes into the protective field with Oreadia to meet Sindo. Once inside, she learns that as a result of absorbing Oreadia's powers, Oreadia will disappear, never again to return to the cycle of life. Angered by the loss of her mother and her father's lack of caring, Fanta is lost. But just as the tragic events seem too much to handle, comfort comes in a surprising revelation....

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From the Realm of Avalon

Fanta

A gorgeous faerie from the mystical realm of Avalon. After her magical winged gown was accidentally torn, Fanta had no choice but to stay on earth until it had mended itself. Much to Ryang Jegal's delight—and frequent dismay—she now lives with him.

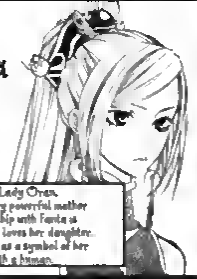
Lady Samsin

At 5,000 years old, Samsin is the oldest of the gods. She oversees all the births in Avalon and lately has been seen conspiring with the King of Avalon. To what ends, however, is unknown.

Goodfellow

An impish, Pan like creature from Avalon who speaks in rhyme. It was Goodfellow who introduced Ryang to Fanta. Among his many quirks, Goodfellow has a strange fetish for women's underwear.

Oreadia



Also known as Lady Oran, Oreadia is Fanta's very powerful mother. Oreadia's relationship with Fanta is complicated. While she loves her daughter, she also resents Fanta as a symbol of her seductive side, a human...

Charon

As the right-hand man of the King of Avalon, Charon overlooks all the important administrative duties in Avalon. He's also Medea's older brother.

Medea

Fanta's devious and ambitious rival. Medea aspires to be the Queen of Avalon and was the faerie responsible for condemning Ryang to a string of 108 bad relationships.

Bast

This southern-drawl-sporting cat goddess has proven to be one nasty little nuisance for Fanta and Ryang. Bast is working for Oreadia and has teamed up with Yuri Kun.

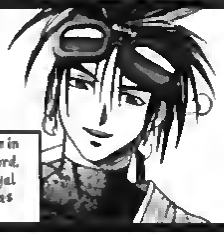
Spirit Forces

These three elemental spirits live in Ryang's skateboard. (Don't ask.) They answer to the names Zero, Gabya and Nyrcken, except when Ryang's calling them. Then they don't answer at all.

The King of Avalon

The head heavenly hoochie. The King of Avalon is in love with Fanta, much to Medea's dismay. He's also been secretly conspiring with Lady Samsin on something nasty, but what that is has yet to be revealed.

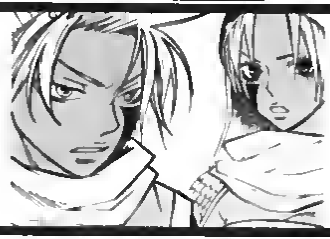
Pain



A flamboyant faerie in every sense of the word, Pain is Avalon's royal inspector and Fanta's brother.

Camaxtli and Nina

These two siblings are the royal guards of the King of Avalon. Camaxtli, aka Max, is somewhat feather-brained, but luckily for him and all of Avalon, Nina is by his side to guide him straight.



From the Realm of Man

Ryang Jegal

Our hapless bandanna-wearing human protagonist. Ryang's been harboring Fanta, a fetching faerie who's been grounded on earth. Due to a magical curse, Ryang must suffer through 108 doomed relationships. And you thought YOU were unlucky in love...

Kang Jegal

Of the three Jegal boys, Kang is the middle child and as difficult as it may be to believe, has an even WORSE attitude than Ryang. Currently serving his mandatory military service, Kang recently returned home on vacation.

Mungyeong Seong

Ryang's best bud, and boy is he ever a sucker for pretty girls. Lately, Mungyeong's been feeling a bit jealous that every girl in school seems to be falling for Ryang.

Yuri Kim

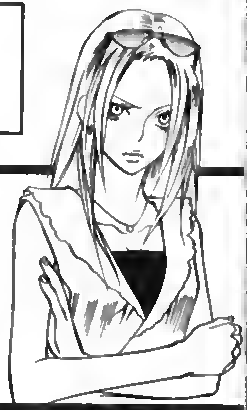
A former flame of Ryang's, Yuri Kim is the very definition of "psycho ex." She has two Japanese-speaking thugs that accompany her everywhere and has now teamed up with Bast, who intends to create an evil spirit by using Yuri and Kang Jegal as hosts.

Yusin Min

Crossing us again with her presence, Yusin is the only girl from Ryang's 108 evil affinity fiasco who ended up really falling for him.

Daecheol and Yuna

Two of Ryang's closest friends. Currently a couple, they always manage to match him up with Yusin.



Jinyeong

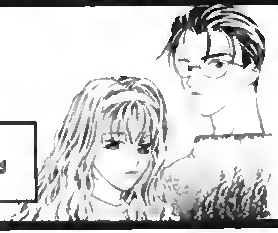
Kang's ex-girlfriend.

Seunggyu

Kang's friend

Hun Jegal and Taeyeong

Hun is Ryang's older brother, and Taeyeong is Hun's lovely wife. Ryang currently lives with them.



Sino and Sindo

Hailing from ancient Korea, Sindo is a kind woodcutter and his half brother Sino is a corrupt village lord. Although Sindo acts as father to Orani's children, Sino is their biological father.

STORY SO FAR...

Meet Ryang, an average, everyday high school student. Ryang lives in Faeries Landing, a small suburban town in Korea.

One day, Ryang met Fanta, a powerful (and pretty cute) faerie. Fanta wants nothing more than to experience human life, and since meeting Ryang, she has—as his roommate.

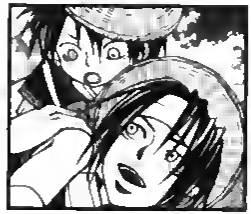
Ryang has a problem. After he accidentally confused a faerie serum with eye drops, he found himself cursed. Any yeri he looks in the eye becomes a host for an "evil affinity." This is destined to happen 108 times in his life.

If that weren't bad enough, Fanta finds out her mother, Oreadia, has been trying to kill her.

To understand why her mother seems to hate her and her father, Fanta casts a spell to send Ryang and her back in time to when her parents first met.

There they meet Sinde, the woodcutter. Oreadia is destined to marry, and his evil brother, Sino. As the head honcho of the village, Sino is used to having everything his way.

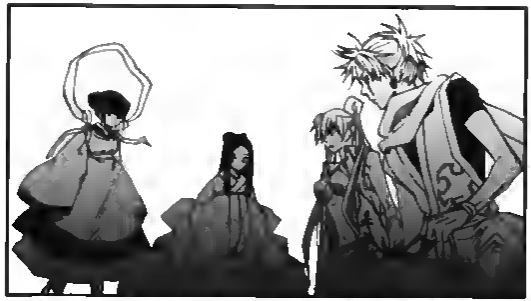
Sino rapes Oreadia when she descends to Earth, but kindhearted Sinde takes her in as Oran after he finds her passed out without her memory or winged yoon.



Sinde, Oran and their son Pain form a small but happy family. That is, until Sino switches bodies with Sinde to rape Oran again and impregnate her with Fanta.

Oran's memories and coldness are restored as she calls for her robe. Regaining consciousness as Oreadia, she takes her children away to Avalon but gives Sinde an ultimatum—if he wants to be with his family, he must kill Sino.

Meanwhile, in Avalon, the King turns Charon into the Old Nine-tailed Fox because the prime minister discovers what his king is up to.



The king then holds a banquet for his partner-in-crime, Samsin, and the highlight of the party is the hunt of the Fox. Max, along with some high ranking faeries close in on the creature, not realizing it's really Charon, but they unexpectedly run into Oreadia and Fanta.

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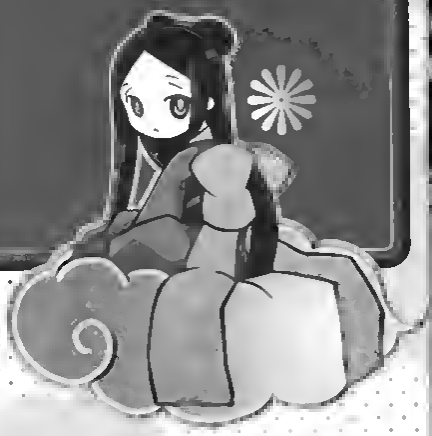

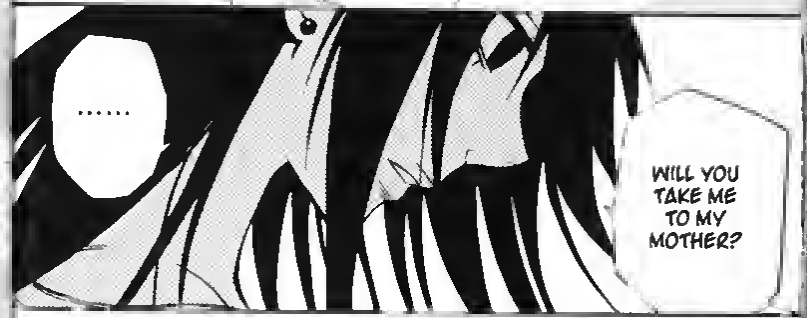

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Over the Shield of Truth

NO WAY... FANTA BROKE THE FORBIDDEN RULE?!
HA... HA HA HA HA!
THIS REALLY IS SOMETHING!
I MUST SAY, YOUR FAMILY IS QUITE ENTERTAINING
WHATEVER YOU ALL DO TO PROTECT EACH OTHER
IT ALL SOMEHOW ENDS UP BENEFITING ME AND ONLY ME.
AND IT'S ALL THANKS TO YOU, ROYAL INSPECTOR, THAT COMMANDER NINA HAS COME TO UNDERSTAND ME.
CONSIDER MY PROPOSAL. CONSIDER IT CAREFULLY.
I'M WILLING TO HELP YOU SIBLINGS OUT, AND I AM THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN PROTECT YOUR SISTER NOW.
SHE WAS A FELON BEFORE, BUT SHE'S NOW BROKEN THE FORBIDDEN RULE OF AVALON
IT MAKES ME WONDER IF SHE'S CONSCIOUS OF THE FACT THAT SHE POSSESSES THE ABSORBING-REGENERATIVE CAPABILITY
A SIMPLER SOLUTION TO THIS
WOULD BE FOR US TO LEAVE THE HEAVENS.

YOU CAN REVOKE OUR CITIZENSHIPS TO AVALON.
THIS REALLY WASN'T THE PLACE FOR US, ANYWAY.
SUCH AN IRRESPONSIBLE STATEMENT!
OPEN THE WAY, PORTAL OF FATE...
HEED MY CALL, I SEEK THE GATE.
WAIT, SECRET ROYAL INSPECTOR!
I'VE NO MORE BUSINESS WITH YOU, WOMAN.
YOU KNOW WE CANNOT ALLOW THAT TO HAPPEN FOR THE SAKE OF OUR SECURITY!
BLOW IT OUT YOUR EARS, NINA! CAN'T "ALLOW" THAT TO HAPPEN, YOU SAY?!
PURSUE HIM, COMMANDER
?!
THEN I'M SURE YOU'LL NOT ALLOW THIS, EITHER.
BY THE WAY, I SHOULD'VE KNOWN BETTER THAN TO TRUST A WOMAN.
WHA..?
!!

I CANNOT REVEAL MY PLANG TO AVALON JUST YET
IT'LL ONLY BRING CONFUSION.
I UNDERSTAND WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO FROM HERE, YOUR MAJESTY?
I'M GOING TO GO BACK TO THE BANQUET LEST SAMGIN FINISH MY ENTIRE STASH OF WINE
BUT WILL YOU BE OKAY?
I SHALL CALL THE GUARDS
IT SEEMS THAT YOU'RE STILL CONFUSED, COURT GUARD COMMANDER.
READY MY PEGASUS!
WELL, I WON'T MIND WHAT DECISION YOU MAKE LATER ON.
THEN, I'LL GO AHEAD AND FOLLOW THE SECRET ROYAL INSPECTOR
FINE
YOUR MAJESTY...
I'LL TRY TO... PERSUADE HIM.
!
SURE
AS I THOUGHT.

HM? THERE WAS A CLASH OF ENERGY WAVES JUST NOW...
BARRIER STRINGS?
HELENA, SHE'S WITH THE NINE-TAILED FOX THAT MEANS--
JUST AS I THOUGHT
THAT ENERGY EXPLOSION FROM BEFORE WAS YOUR DOING, EH FAERIE FANTA?
HOW DARE YOU BREAK THE FORBIDDEN RULE?
PSHAW, IT'S NOT LIKE IT'S MY FIRST TIME I'VE DONE THIS A WHOLE BUNCH OF TIMES. ONLY TIME I CAN GET MY HAIR DOWN WITHOUT TWO HOURS OF UNBRAIDING, YOU KNOW?
BUT THAT WAS IN THE HUMAN WORLD.
HAVE YOU CONSIDERED A PONYTAIL?
YOU DO KNOW THIS IS NO JOKING MATTER?
GOTCHA!
PREPARE YOURSELF, YOU OLD NINE-TAILED FOX!
IF YOU GIVE YOURSELF UP QUIETLY AND COOPERATE FULLY TO RESTORE ORDER, THEY MIGHT GO EASY ON YOUR PUNISHMENT
NO.

I MUST GO TO MY MOTHER.
LET'S GO!
OKEY-DOKEY!
AND SINCE YOU BOUND ME UP AND PROVIDED OCCASION FOR ME TO BREAK THE RULE, I WILL TESTIFY THAT YOU ARE MY ACCOMPLICES!
WHAT KINDA NONSENSE IS THAT?!
I'M WARNING YOU--STAY OUT OF MY WAY.
HEH

YIKES!
YAARGH!
WOW, I DID THAT? I'M SO TOTALLY AWESOME!
HERE'S OUR CHANCE!
GO, FOXY!
AAARGH!
STOP THIS THING!
WE'RE GONNA LOSE HER!
HELENA, ELENA!

PHEW. THANKS.
YOU TRULY ARE DA BEST DUO!
HA, YA BETTER REC'NIZE!
I BEG YOU!
PLEASE GO FASTER!
OVER THERE!
WHERE'S FANTA AND THE NINE-TAILED FOX?
THEY'RE NOT FAR AWAY.
WELL THEN, LET'S GET A MOVE ON!
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URP... THEY'RE ALREADY
……?
WHERE AM I?

YOU'RE HERE...
...MY DAUGHTER.
MOTHER...
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WHY ARE YOU SO TAKEN ABACK?
I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A WARM, GENTLE FACE ON HER LIKE THAT...
THIS IS REALLY ODD... AND I DON'T FEEL HER PRESENCE AT ALL.
MOTHER? ARE YOU OKAY?
MOTHER IS BEING WEIRD! LIKE, A FIRST-TIER WACKO!
HOW DO YOU MEAN, DEAR?
WALK THIS WAY.
YOUR FATHER, THE ONE YOU LONGED FOR SO LONG, IS HERE.
HM?
FINALLY
I CAN SEE MY FATHER.

FATHER...
DON'T COME ANY CLOSER!
I DON'T WANT TO HURT MY FAMILY
I MIGHT THINK ABOUT IT
WELL DONE
SHINO! PLEASE!

CAN YOU GET THIS OFF OF ME?
HUH? AH...YES, SURE!
깜짝
WHOA, HE'S TALKING TO ME AS IF I WALK IN HERE EVERYDAY ..
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와락
EH?
NO!
WITHOUT THIS, HE MIGHT RUN AWAY AGAIN!
IT LOOKS HEAVY. I GUESS I HAVE TO USE A SPELL.
AH!
NO! YOU MUSTN'T REMOVE THAT!
YIKES!
BLAH BLAH WHAT? M- MOTHER?
ARE YOU OKAY, MOTHER? YOU SEEM A BIT...OFF YOUR ROCKER TODAY
THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH ME!
I'M SO ON THAT ROCKER, I--

UGH...
WHAT'S WRONG, MOTHER?!
PANT
YES?
YOU ARE TO LISTEN CAREFULLY TO WHAT I HAVE TO SAY
AH, SHE'S BACK TO HER USUAL SELF
I WILL SOON CEASE TO EXIST.
MY POWERS HAVE ALL BEEN ABSORBED BY YOU, SO I CANNOT GO ON ANY LONGER
WH-WHA...?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
YOU ARE AWARE THAT YOUR BODY ABSORBS ENERGY, RIGHT?
YOU ARE OF THE SPECIAL CONSTITUTION THAT ABSORBS THE ENERGY AROUND THEM, MANIFESTING THE ENERGY AS MAGICAL POWERS.
NO ONE BUT THE HEAVEN'S KING SHOULD HAVE SUCH A BODY TYPE.
NOD
YOU MAY RECALL THAT YOU WEREN'T ABLE TO CONTROL YOUR POWERS AND IT WAS SEALED AS IT BROUGHT HARM TO PEOPLE OF AVALON.
BUT DO YOU NOT THINK IT ODD THAT SUCH A POWERFUL SEAL COULD BE BROKEN SO EASILY BY YOU?
SHE'S RIGHT AND I NEVER SUFFERED THE CONSEQUENCES OF BREACHING THE FORBIDDEN RULE
IN FACT, EVEN MEDEA'S PUNY POWERS HAVE SEALED ME ONCE BEFORE.
IT WAS POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF THE SECRET PACT BETWEEN THE KING AND I.

I WAS TO BECOME YOUR ONLY VESSEL FOR ENERGY ABSORPTION, AND IN RETURN...
...I WAS GRANTED RE-ENTRANCE TO AVALON, AS WELL AS IMMUNITY FROM MY CRIME AGAINST FAERIE SERAPHINA.
WHAT?

WH-WHAT ARE YOU SAYING, MOTHER?
HIS MAJESTY AND
...I ARE... ABSORBING YOUR POWERS? WE'RE KILLING YOU?!
THAT MEANS... EVEN NOW, I'M--!!
THE SEAL SPELL!
I HAVE TO CAST THE SEAL SPELL!
AURA THAT SEALS THE UNSETTLED POWER...
...BY THE RENEWED SPELL, YOU SHOULD COWER...

...AND RETURN TO YOUR POSITION AT THIS HOUR!
TAP
MOTHER!
AS I LOSE MY POWERS...
...I FEEL THE HUMAN WITHIN ME AWAKEN
SO...MOTHER'S STRANGE BEHAVIOR BEFORE WAS BECAUSE--
I GUESS YOU'LL HAVE YOUR REAL MOTHER FOR A FLEETING MOMENT.
I'M SORRY! I'M SO SORRY, MOTHER!
I...I HAD NO IDEA! I'M SORRY!
YOU DON'T NEED TO APOLOGIZE. OF COURSE YOU DIDN'T KNOW.
IT WAS...
...ALL MY DOING. YOU HAVE NO REASON TO BLAME YOURSELF.
NO! YOU KNOW I HAVE NO MEMORIES OF THE HUMAN WORLD!
YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN MY MOTHER! YOU'RE MY MOTHER!

MY DAUGHTER...
IT IS TRUE THAT YOUR EXISTENCE WAS A HINDRANCE TO ME, AND THAT I HARBORED FEELINGS OF ANIMOSITY AGAINST YOU.
YET...
...SEEING YOU HERE, AS A TESTAMENT TO MY EXISTENCE...
...MAKES ME HAPPY...
NO..!
M-MOTHER?
MOTHER?!

WHERE --?
HEY, IT'S TOO LATE. SHE'S GONE, OKAY?
HOW COULD YOU SAY THAT?! DON'T YOU FEEL ANYTHING AT ALL?!
MOTHER IS--
YEAH, OKAY SORRY. I'M DEVASTATED
NOW, CAN YOU TAKE THIS OFF OF ME OR NOT?
.....
OFF, PLEASE
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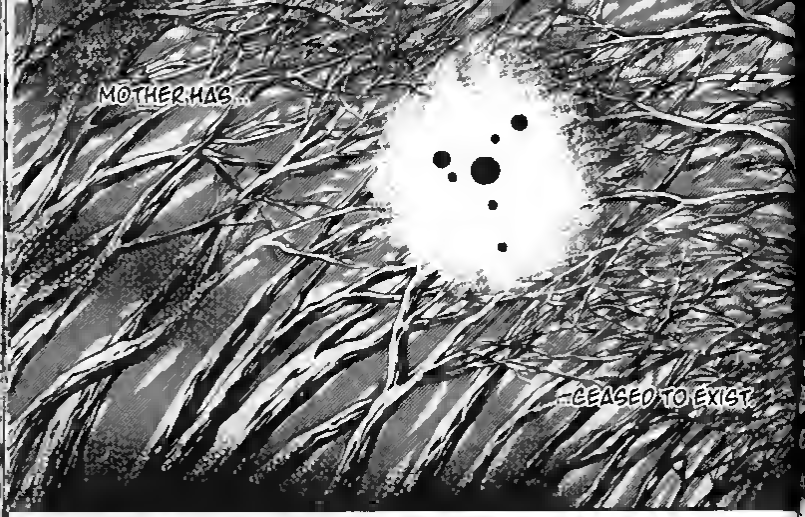
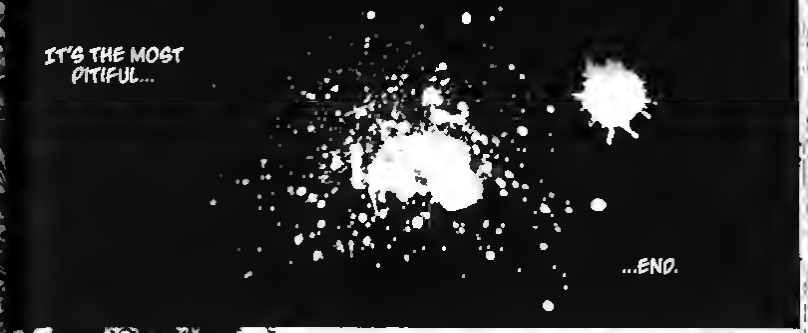
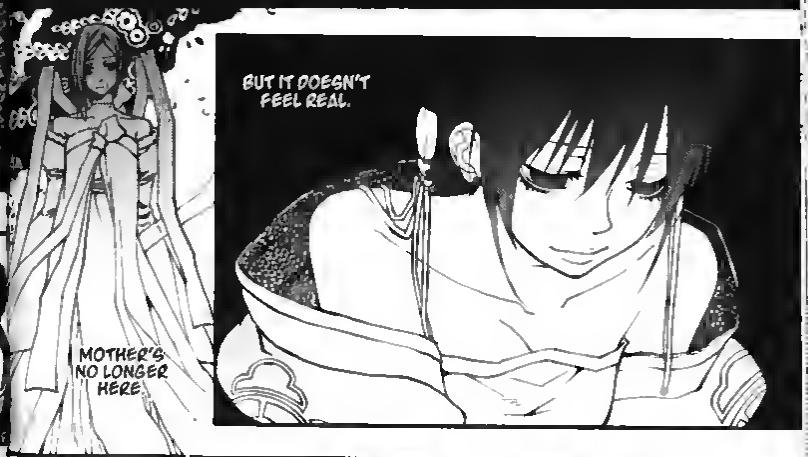
Identity of the Old Nine-tailed Fox


MOTHER HAS...
...CEASED TO EXIST.


IT'S THE MOST PITIFUL...
...END.

AND IT'S ALL BECAUSE OF ME.


MOTHER'S NO LONGER HERE.
BUT IT DOESN'T FEEL REAL.

CES-SATION
IT'S SOMETHING THAT'S OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THE CYCLES OF BIRTH IT'S A COMPLETE DEATH
YOU CANNOT EXIST...
...ANY-WHERE IN THIS WORLD.

MOTHER HAS... ALWAYS AVOIDED ME SO I NEVER HAD MUCH TIME WITH HER.
CESSATION...IS JUST A WORD IT FEELS LIKE ANY NORMAL DAY WE SPENT APART FROM EACH OTHER.
BUT ...

...THE TEARS..
...BECAUSE THAT HUG-MY-FIRST AND LAST FROM HER-
FELT SO WARM...
...KEEP ON FALLING.

WHAT THE HELL IS UP WITH THIS GUY?
YEAH! FREEDOM!
I'M FREE!
WAHOO!
YAY!
ROLL ROLL
PEELS SO GOOD TO KISS THE DUSTY FLOOR.

UH, EXCUSE ME..

...I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK OF YOU.
WHAT IS IT?

BUT!

DON'T ASK ME ANY QUESTIONS.
JUST DO IT FOR ME. I DID YOU A FAVOR JUST NOW, DIDN'T I?

SURE WHATEVER, TOOTS.
I'LL DO IT IF I CAN.

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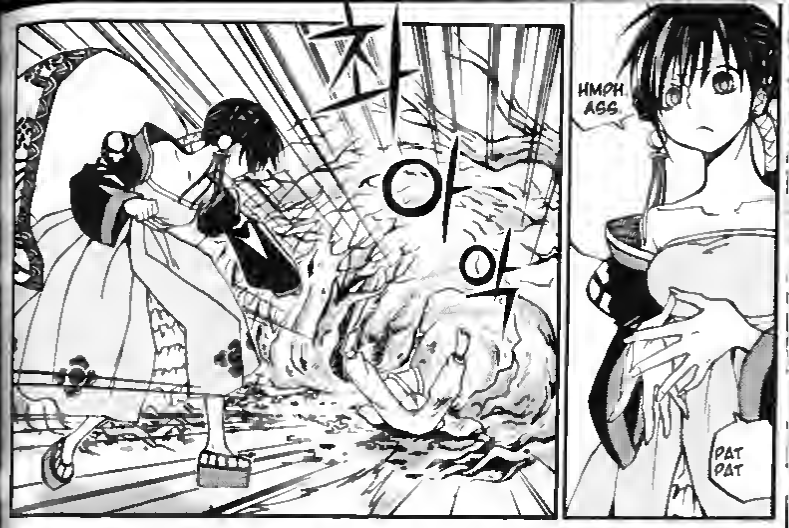
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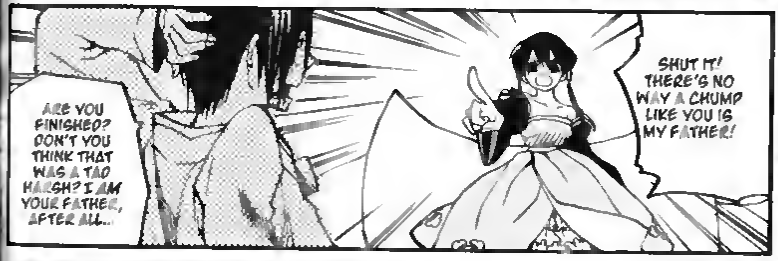

ARE YOU FINISHED? DON'T YOU THINK THAT WAS A TAD HARSH? I AM YOUR FATHER, AFTER ALL...
SHUT IT! THERE'S NO WAY A CHUMP LIKE YOU IS MY FATHER!

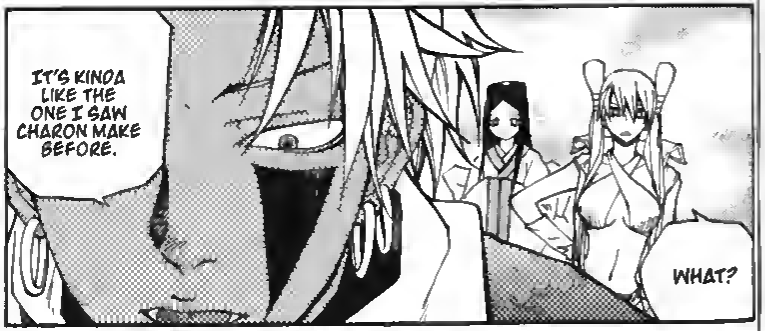
WHAT IN THE FAERIES' LANDING HISTORY IS WRONG WITH YOU?! YOU'RE REALLY PISSING ME OFF!

MY MOTHER...
...YOUR WIFE, JUST DIED! DO YOU UNDERSTAND, YOU HEARTLESS JERK?!

WELL, I'LL BE HONEST I DON'T REALLY FEEL LIKE YOUR FATHER, EITHER. BUT I'M PRETTY SURE I AM.
Y'SEE, MY TIE TO THIS WORLD WAS SEVERED ONCE, AND I DON'T REMEMBER LIFE BEFORE IT DID.

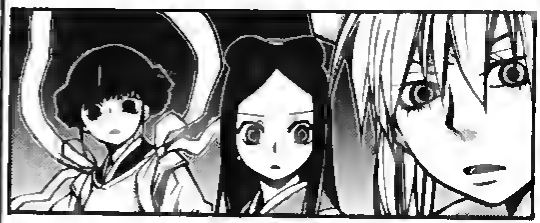
WHAT...?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?
LET ME TELL YOU...
...A STORY. ONCE UPON A TIME...
ELECTRIC ENERGY CHARGED TO MAXIMUM WATT...
...REVEAL YOURSELF SO MY ENEMY MAY ROT!
COMBUSTION SHOT!
IT HASN'T EVEN BUDGED! WE FIRED OUR BEST SPELL, THE COMBUSTION SHOT!
WHAT KIHO OF LOCKOUT FIELD IS THAT, ANYWAY?
IF IT CAN WITHSTAND A SHOT FROM THE TWO OF US, IT HAS TO BE THE STURDIEST AND THE MOST IMPRESSIVE OF THE FIELDS IN ALL OF THE HEAVENS
I WONDER IF THERE'S A MISSION WE HAVE TO COMPLETE TO DISMANTLE IT.
YOU KNOW, LIKE THOSE RPG GAMES HUMANS PLAY?

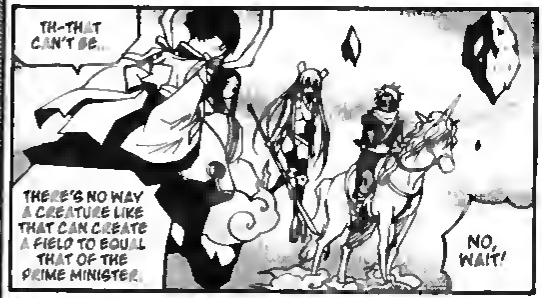
I DID NOT KNOW YOU WERE INTO SUCH TRIVIAL HUMAN ACTIVITIES
OF COURSE. WHERE DO YOU THINK I GOT THE INSPIRATION FOR THIS AWESOME WINGED ROBE I'M WEARING?
SHUK
THIS LOCK-OUT FIELD.


IT'S KINDA LIKE THE ONE I SAW CHARON MAKE BEFORE.
WHAT?

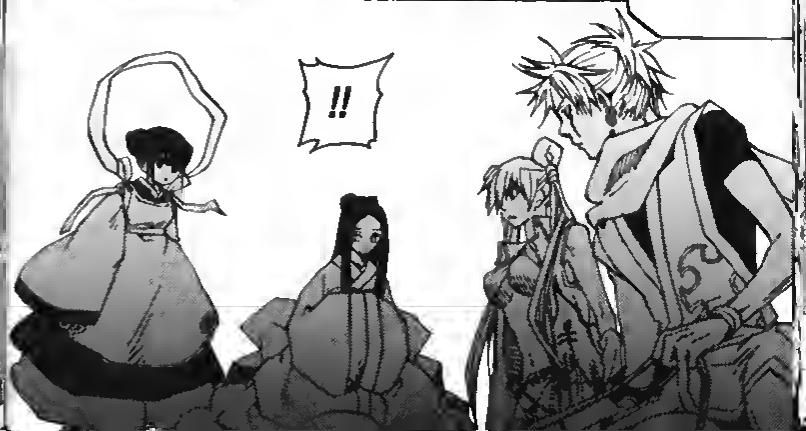
HE GOT FUMING MAD AND LOCKED HIMSELF UP IN THE STUDY WITH A LOCKOUT FIELD OUTSIDE IT.
UH-OH. HE THINKS HE'S NONE TOO HAPPY.
THIS ONE TIME, I HID ALL OF HIS OFFICIAL DOCS BECAUSE HE WAS WHINING ABOUT HIS WORKLOAD
SOME SMART TALK YOU HAVE TO CHECK IT?
NOW, ENGAGE WORK, YOU

AND THIS HAS THE SAME CRAZY ENERGY.




TH-THAT CAN'T BE...
THERE'S NO WAY A CREATURE LIKE THAT CAN CREATE A FIELD TO EQUAL THAT OF THE PRIME MINISTER.
NO, WAIT!

WHAT IF SOMETHING HAPPENED TO THE PRIME MINISTER AND HE WAS TRANSFORMED INTO THE NINE-TAILED FOX?
IT'S ENTIRELY POSSIBLE.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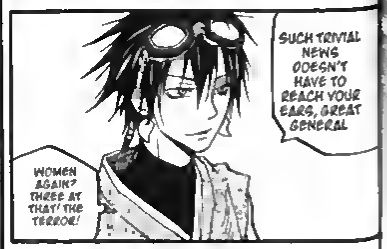
IT AT LEAST IS WORTH VERIFYING
BUT WE DO NEED A SPELL CASTER WHO HAS THE SPIRITUAL EYES
!!
UH, I KIND OF HAVE THIS TELEPATHY THING GOING WITH PAIN. WANT ME TO GET HIM?
YOU GOOD-FOR-NOTHING IDIOT MAN! WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY THAT BEFORE?!!
YOU DIDN'T ASK..
I NEED YOU TO DO SOMETHING WHERE YOU AT?
THE COURT GUARD COMMANDER SIDED WITH THE KING..
CAMAXTLI IS HER BROTHER HE WILL EVENTUALLY SIDE WITH HIS BLOOD IT'D BE FOOLISH OF ME TO REVEAL--
COME ON, I THINK WE FOUND CHARON!
—?!
REALLY ?!
I THOUGHT THE DEFENSE MINISTER WASN'T ON BEST OF TERMS WITH THE INSPECTOR..
SO WHY ARE THEY SHARING A TELEPATHY WAVE LENGTH?
HEY, PAIN!
CAN YOU HEAR ME?
..MAX?
!!
WHAT?! WHERE?! WHERE'S MY BROTHER?!
WAIT! MAX CAN YOU MAKE THIS A PRIVATE CONVERSATION?
HUH? WHY?

JUST DO IT! YOU CONTACTED ME FOR HELP, DIDN'T YOU?!
JEEZ, THAT'S HITTING ME BELOW THE BELT. SHOOT, I BET YOU LIKE IT, TOO
ALL RIGHT, OKAY. SORRY, SIS. SORRY, MEDEA.
SECURING COMMUNICATION WAVE TO PAIN.
IT DIED...
WAIT!
...!!
AH, YOUR MAJESTY...!
WHY ARE YOU SO STARTLED? FEELING GUILTY ABOUT SOMETHING, ARE YOU?
HUH?
YOU DAMN--
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
КУДН!!
WH-WHAT DO I DO? SHOULD I TELL HIM ABOUT MY BROTHER?
BUT...
HUH?
HA!- EASY, YOU!!

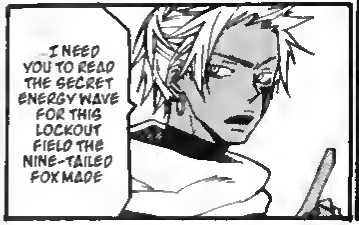
THAT WAS ACTUALLY MY, UH HAPPY YELP! BECAUSE I'M HAPPY!
IS THAT RIGHT?
AND WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? I THOUGHT YOU WERE IN THE HUMAN REALM?
I-I JUST CAME BACK
EVEN THE GATE GUARDS WERE BUSY BECAUSE OF THE BANQUET I GUESS THEY DIDN'T REPORT A MERE SECOND-CLASS FAERIE LIKE ME ENTERING THE GATES
I'M UH...
...H-HERE TO SEE YOU, OF COURSE!
WHAT ELSE?
HMM YOU KNEW THERE WAS A BANQUET...
HMM?
...YET YOU THOUGHT I'D BE HOME? ME, MISS A PARTY? SURELY YOU JEST!
HUH...
IT SEEMS YOU WERE IN MY HOME.
ONE MORE THING.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN FRONT OF MY HOUSE?
—!!!
LYING IS NOT YOUR FORTE, MEDEA.

AH, THERE HE IS.
...
OK

IT'S BEEN A WHILE, ROYAL INSPECTOR
I WAS NEVER INFORMED OF YOUR RETURN FROM THE HUMAN WORLD


SUCH TRIVIAL NEWS DOESN'T HAVE TO REACH YOUR EARS, GREAT GENERAL
WOMEN AGAIN? THERE AT THAT! THE TERROR!

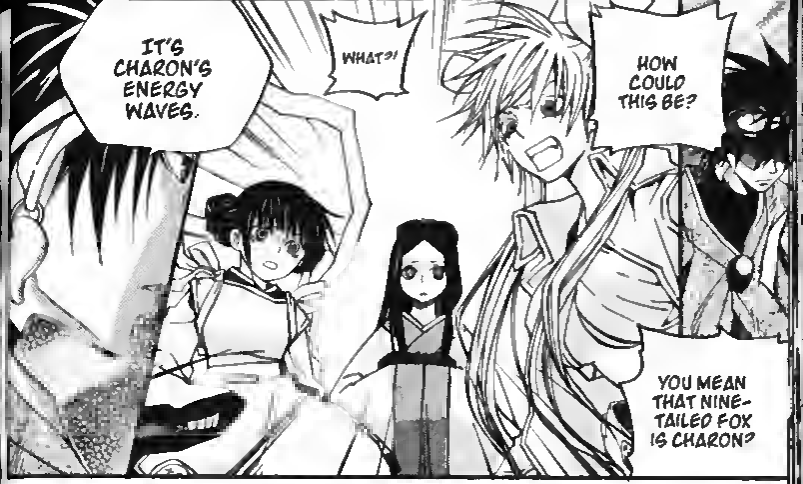
SO, WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU FOUND CHARON?
BEFORE WE GET TO THAT..


...I NEED YOU TO READ THE SECRET ENERGY WAVE FOR THIS LOCKOUT FIELD THE NINE-TAILED FOX MADE

LOCKOUT FIELD?
HUH, SO FUZZY'S GOT SKILLS, EH?

HM?

……!!
THIS IS TOO BAD. IS WHAT IT IS
SIR?
CHARON...


IT'S CHARON'S ENERGY WAVES.
WHAT?!
HOW COULD THIS BE?
YOU MEAN THAT NINE-TAILED FOX IS CHARON?

HEY, PAIN
DO YOU THINK THAT OUR SUSPICION OF THE KING IS--?

AH, YES
LOOKS LIKE MR. KNOW-IT-ALL CHARON FIGURED IT OUT BEFORE WE DID
BUT. SO WHAT? SO WHAT IF CHARON IS THE NINE-TAILED FOX?
WHAT?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?

WHAT DO YOU SEE, SECRET ROYAL INSPECTOR PAIN?

OUR BENEVOLENT KING DECREES THE FOX TO BE HUNTED DOWN. MEANING, HE DECREES CHARON TO BE HUNTED DOWN.
IF WE RESCUE CHARON HERE, WE'RE GOING DIRECTLY AGAINST THE KING OF AVALON.
—!!!
HEY! WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?!
WE'LL WORRY ABOUT ALL THAT LATER! WE HAVE TO RESCUE CHARON! NOW!
CAMAXTLI.
YOUR SISTER TURNED HER BACK ON US.
WHAT?
NINA DID?
YOU TWO ARE TWINS, AND ALTHOUGH YOU GUYS ARE FRATERNAL TWINS, YOU LOOK ALIKE AND THINK ALIKE.
KNOWING THAT SHE, THE FEMALE VERSION OF YOU, DECIDED TO HELP THE KING INSTEAD...
...CAN YOU REALLY SWEAR TO ME THAT YOU WILL RISK EVERYTHING TO HELP CHARON?
YOU SEE...

ALL THAT'S NEEDED FOR EVERLASTING PEACE AND HAPPINESS IN AVALON IS THE SACRIFICE OF MY FAMILY...
THEY JUST NEED TO GET RID OF AN ANNOYING BRAT--ME--AND
I CAN...
...USE FANTA AND MY MOTHER TO REGENERATE THE KING'S DYING BODY.
...HELP CHARON RIGHT NOW.
?!
CHARON VIEWS EVERYTHING OBJECTIVELY AT ALL TIMES.
SWAT
IF CHARON ALSO WERE TO ASK ME TO "MAKE SACRIFICES FOR A GREATER CAUSE"...
HMPH
SECRET ROYAL INSPECTOR
ARE YOU REALLY TELLING US THE TRUTH?
WELL, THE BEST WAY WOULD BE TO HEAR IT FROM THE NINE-TAILED FOX HIMSELF, RIGHT?
LET ME TRY TO SEE THROUGH THE END OF THIS ENERGY WAVE SINCE IT MIGHT GIVE ME A CLUE AS TO HOW TO UNDO THE SPELL
BUT TO SAVE AVALON...
.....
EVEN CHARON...
...WILL SIDE WITH THE KING.
OH, SHOOT!
HEY, UH...WE FORGOT TO TELL YOU...
...FAERIE FANTA AND OREADIA ARE ALSO IN THERE WITH THE FOX

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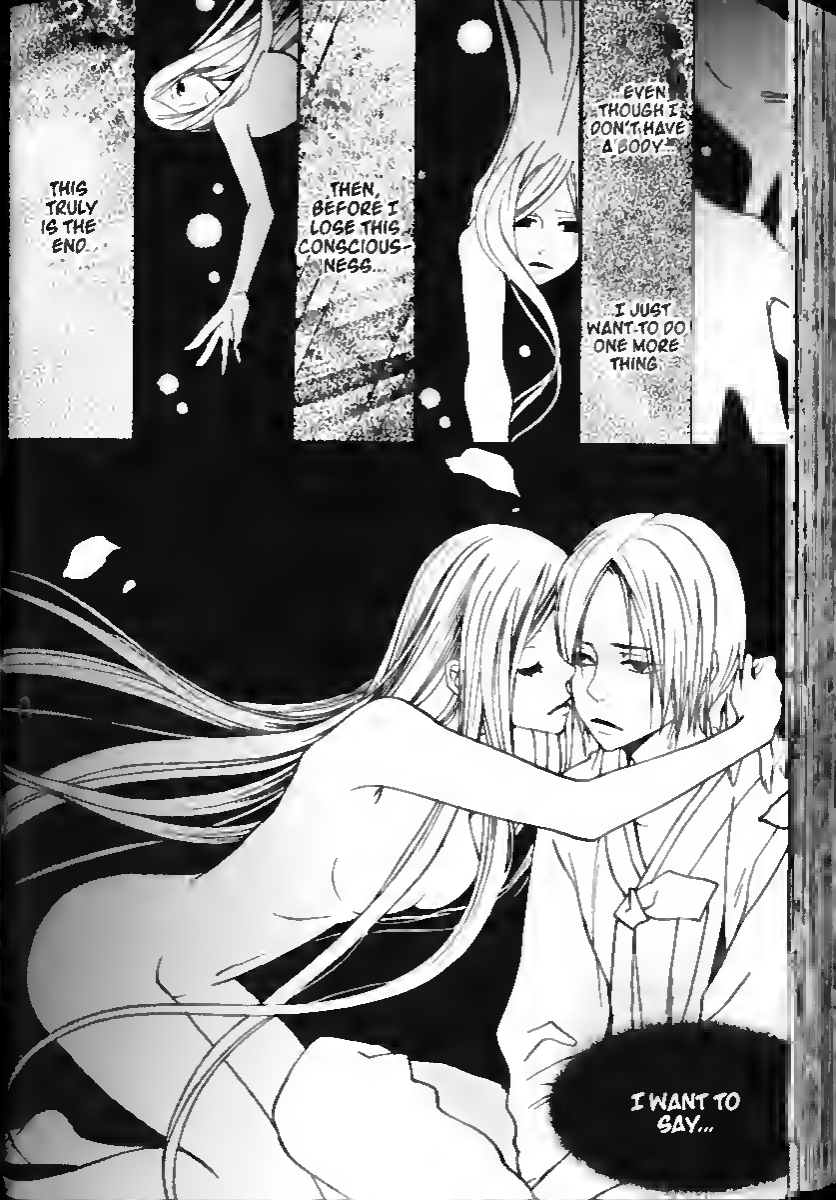
Last Words

SO THIS IS CESSATION?
ONLY MY CONSCIOUSNESS EXISTS ..UP IN NOWHERE.
BUT IF MY CONSCIOUSNESS IS STILL LEFT, THIS CANNOT BE CESSATION.
THAT'S STRANGE.
WAIT, NO. I KNOW NOW.
I'M JUST IN THE MIDDLE OF THE PROCESS.
FIRST, THE BODY DISSIPATES
PROPELLING THE WEIGHTLESS CONSCIOUSNESS UP INTO THE AIR.
...AND IN THE END, I WILL TRULY BECOME NOTHING.

DO YOU WANT ME TO TELL YOU A STORY?
IT'S A STORY FROM LONG AGO
AH...
YOU'LL SOON FIND EVERYTHING OUT.
YOU'LL SEE YOUR MOTHER'S SHAMEFUL TWO-SIDEDNESS...
YOU'LL FIND OUT ABOUT THE SIDE OF ME THAT WAS TOO HUMAN FOR MY COMFORT.

THE HUMAN WORLD...
THOUGH I'M A FAERIE, THAT'S THE PLACE WHERE I LIVED, MET MY LOVE AND BORE MY CHILDREN AFTER FALLING FROM THE HEAVENS.
LOOKING BACK, I MUST SAY MY LIFE AS HUMAN WASN'T TERRIBLE.
AHH... I'M STARTING TO LOSE MY CONSCIOUSNESS.


THIS TRULY IS THE END...
THEN, BEFORE I LOSE THIS CONSCIOUSNESS...
EVEN THOUGH I DON'T HAVE A BODY...
I JUST WANT TO DO ONE MORE THING...
I WANT TO SAY...

I'M SORRY.
?!
WH-WHAT'S WRONG?
YOU'RE CREEPING ME OUT
!!
SORRY, MY BAD
?
SO, WHERE SHOULD I START? HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ALREADY?
TO THE PART WHERE PAIN AND I ENTER AVALON...
...AND WHERE YOU AND BAST SEPARATE...
OKAY
I WAS TOLD THIS MYSELF AND DON'T HAVE THE ACTUAL MEMORY OF WHAT HAPPENED...

HEY, HEY.
WHAT'S GOING ON? YOU'RE NOT THE TYPE TO SEEK AND CALL ME OUT
SO ...
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?
ARE YOU GOING TO STAB ME WITH THAT, OLDER BROTHER?
TH-THIS IS...
I DON'T KNOW...
WHA...? JEEZ, HOW LAME.
I THOUGHT SHE WAS GOING TO COME AND DO THE JOB HERSELF
I'M NOT SURE WHAT I'LL GAIN BY DOING THAT...
I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S WHAT I REALLY WANT ..

BUT, ONE THING IS FOR SURE.
IF YOU HADN'T BEEN AROUND...
...EVERYTHING WOULD'VE BEEN FINE.
NO, NOTHING EVER EVEN WOULD'VE HAPPENED IN THE FIRST PLACE.
WHAT IS IT?
IN THAT CASE.
YOU SHOULD BE THANKING ME, DON'T YOU THINK?
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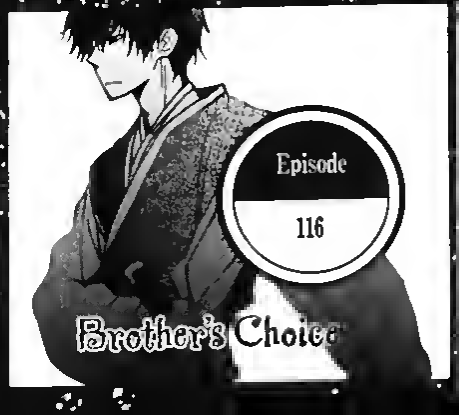
AH THANK YA SO MUCH.
AH DON'T KNOW HOW TO REPAY YA FOR YER KINDNESS
IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOU, LADY ORGADIA, AH DON'T KNOW WHAT WOULD'VE HAPPENED TO ME BY NOW
SANATION'S PROBABLY BE LOCKED UP IN SOME DARK DEEP MONT AGAIN
HUMAN AFFINITIES...
FUNNY HOW THEY WORK
BAST, IS IT?
COME OVER HERE
YA?
THIS CHILD DOESN'T REMEMBER ME.
DID SINDO SEVER THE STRING OF AFFINITY THAT CONNECTED THE TWO?
HOW WOULD YOU LIKE...
...TO GO TO THE HEAVENS WITH ME?
THOUGH IT WAS MY DUTY TO MANAGE ALL THE AFFINITY STRINGS IN THE HEAVENS, I NEVER MET ANYONE WHO WAS UNFORTUNATE ENOUGH TO HAVE IT CUT AT SOME POINT
OOAH IS MAH EYAL! AH HAVEN'T GIVEN UP ON SINDO' AH DON'T CARE IF I'M HIS CONCUBINE!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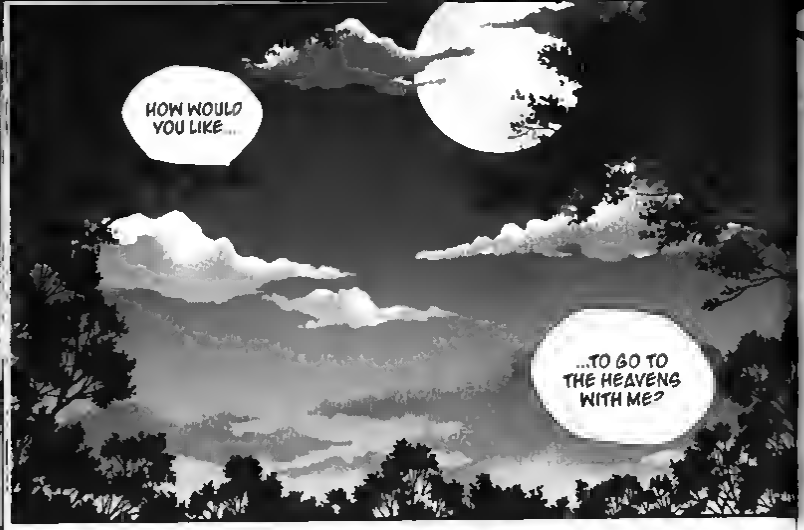
HOW WOULD YOU LIKE...
...TO GO TO THE HEAVENS WITH ME?

THE... HEAVENS?

M-M-M-ME?
YES
A LOWLY CRITTER LIKE ME?

IF YOU WANT

IF AH GO...
...AH WON'T BE BEATEN...
...AH WON'T HAVE TO SLEEP AND SHIVER IN THE COLD...
MY GOODNESS HERE I THOUGHT MY LIFE SUCKED
NOR WILL AH GO GO HUNGRY THAT AH HAVE TO EAT DEAD RATS

WELL, THEN...
...CAN AH SERVE YOU AS MY MASTUH UP THERE?

THAT MAY BE DIFFICULT.
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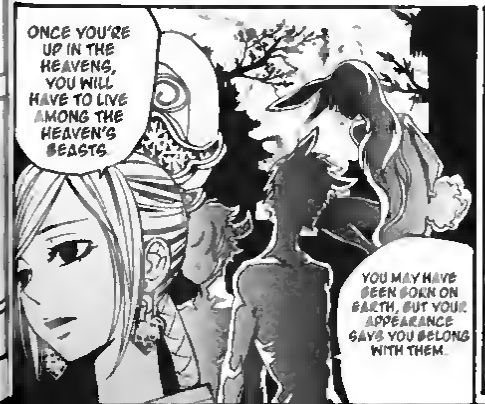
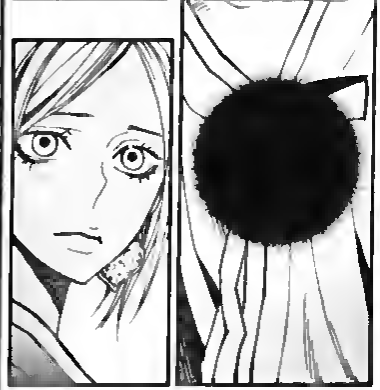

ONCE YOU'RE UP IN THE HEAVENS, YOU WILL HAVE TO LIVE AMONG THE HEAVEN'S BEASTS
YOU MAY HAVE BEEN BORN ON EARTH, BUT YOUR APPEARANCE SAYS YOU BELONG WITH THEM.

UNFORTUNATELY, I CANNOT TRAVEL THERE EASILY.
AH SEE...

BUT I WILL CALL UPON YOU ONCE THE RIGHT TIME COMES.
YES, MA'AM!
I'M GOING TO NEED YOUR HELP THEN.
GOT ROOM FER MAH HELP?
WELL...
WHY DON'T YOU GO AND FIND ME THIS ONE DEER...?
THUMP THUMP
KYAH!
I'M SO HAPPY
WELL, THEN UM...
WHEN ARE YA PLANNIN' TO GO?
NEXT FULL MOON
NEXT FULL MOON?
LESSEE, WHEN'S THE NEXT FULL MOON?
HEE HEE HEE
YES. MIDNIGHT TONIGHT, WE WILL ASCEND.
YAY!
HOWEVER, THERE IS ONE THING I NEED TO TAKE CARE OF BEFORE...
I

WHAT DID YOU HAVE THIS FOOL DO?



SO THAT WAS YOUR CHOICE IN THE END?

AND

HEY!
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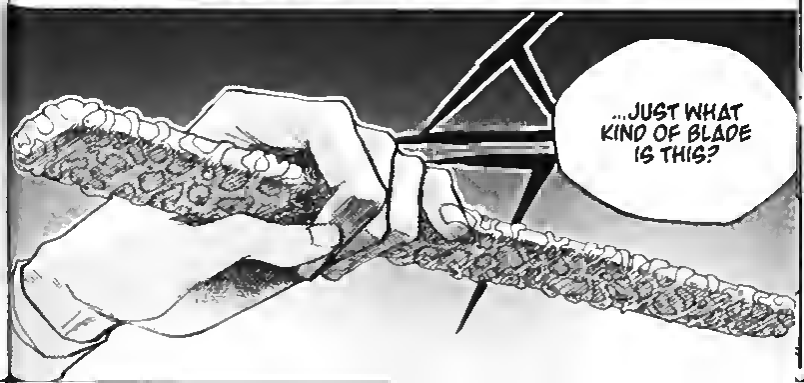
...JUST WHAT KIND OF BLADE IS THIS?

I WAS SURE HE HAD COME TO KILL ME...
?!
.....

BUT THEN, HE JUST WENT OUT LIKE THAT BUT HE'S NOT BLEEDING
WHAT'S GOING ON WITH HIM?
THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT THIS KNIFE, ISN'T THERE?
THAT'S THE BLADE OF AFFINITY
AND YES, I GAVE IT TO HIM TO USE ON YOU.
BLADE OF..
AFFINITY

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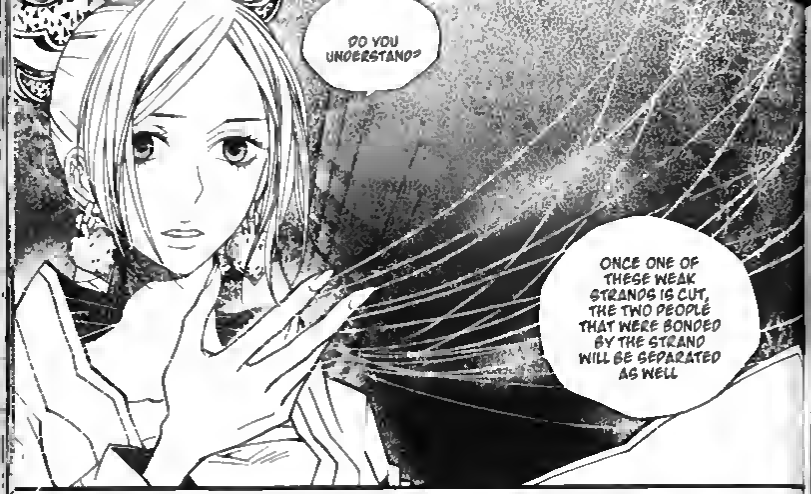
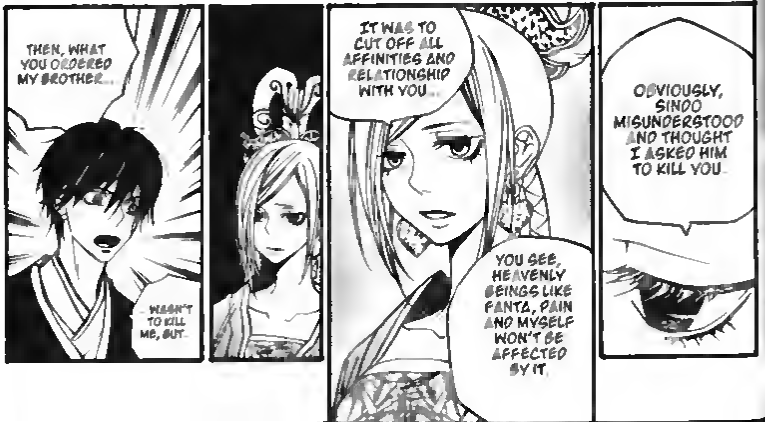
YOU SEE NOW?
AFFINITIES LITERALLY ARE STRINGS THAT TIE US TOGETHER.


DO YOU UNDERSTAND?
ONCE ONE OF THESE WEAK STRANDS IS CUT, THE TWO PEOPLE THAT WERE BONDED BY THE STRAND WILL BE SEPARATED AS WELL

HA. SO THIS KNIFE CAN CUT SUCH STRINGS, HUH?


THEN, WHAT YOU ORDERED MY BROTHER...
WASN'T TO KILL ME, BUT...
IT WAS TO CUT OFF ALL AFFINITIES AND RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU...
YOU SEE, HEAVENLY BEINGS LIKE FANTA, PAIN AND MYSELF WON'T BE AFFECTED BY IT.
OBVIOUSLY, SINDO MISUNDERSTOOD AND THOUGHT I ASKED HIM TO KILL YOU.

I SEE. SO THAT STUPID BROTHER OF MINE COULDN'T EVEN DO THAT RIGHT, EH?
IT SHOULD'VE BEEN A SIMPLE TASK, STABBING A DETESTABLE GUY LIKE ME.

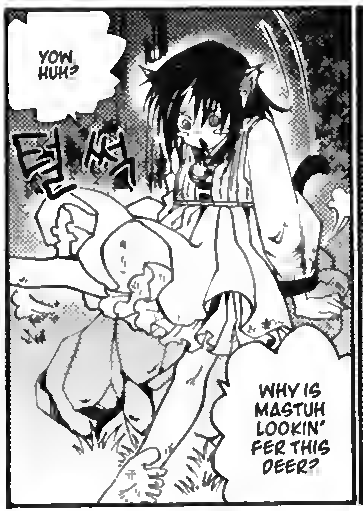
I THOUGHT SO AS WELL.

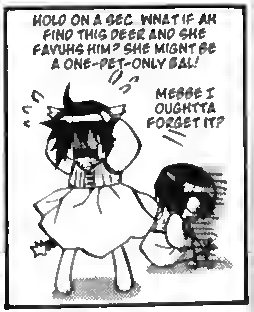
THEN
, WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO MY BROTHER?

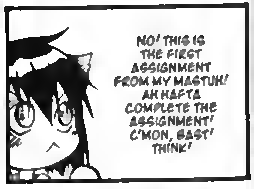
HE WILL CEASE TO EXIST.

WHAT?

DEER!
COME OUT
DEER DEARY!


YOW HUH?
WHY IS MASTUH LOOKIN' FER THIS DEER?


HOLD ON A SEC. WHAT IF AH FIND THIS DEER AND SHE FAVUHS HIM? SHE MIGHT BE A ONE-PET-ONLY GAL!
MEBBE I OUGHTTA FORGET IT?

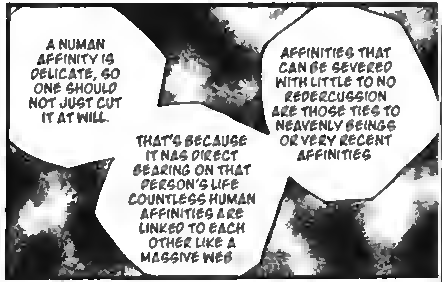

NO! THIS IS THE FIRST ASSIGNMENT FROM MY MASTUH! AH HAFTA COMPLETE THE ASSIGNMENT! C'MON, BAST! THINK!

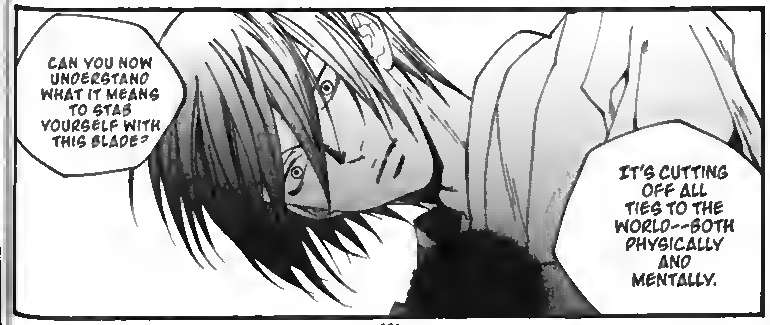
RUSTLE

HM?

그래프!

CESSATION?
HE'S...GOING TO DISAPPEAR?
IT'S NOT A MATTER OF SIMPLE PHYSICAL DISAPPEARANCE
ALL THE AFFINITIES AND CONNECTION TO THIS WORLD WILL BE LOST. MEANING, HE WON'T HAVE ANY PAST MEMORIES.


A HUMAN AFFINITY IS DELICATE, SO ONE SHOULD NOT JUST CUT IT AT WILL.
THAT'S BECAUSE IT HAS DIRECT BEARING ON THAT PERSON'S LIFE COUNTLESS HUMAN AFFINITIES ARE LINKED TO EACH OTHER LIKE A MASSIVE WEB
AFFINITIES THAT CAN BE SEVERED WITH LITTLE TO NO REDERCUSSION ARE THOSE TIES TO HEAVENLY BEINGS OR VERY RECENT AFFINITIES


CAN YOU NOW UNDERSTAND WHAT IT MEANS TO STAB YOURSELF WITH THIS BLADE?
IT'S CUTTING OFF ALL TIES TO THE WORLD--BOTH PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY.

HE WILL SOON CEASE--
NO!
?
HEY!
THERE'S A WAY, RIGHT?
KUH!
DO NOT LAY YOUR HANDS ON ME
WHOA, TALK ABOUT A HOT CHICK...
DO YOU MEAN WHAT YOU SAY?
?
YOU MUST KNOW SOMETHING YOU CAN DO!
THERE'S GOT TO BE SOMETHING!
PLEASE! SAVE MY OLDER BROTHER!
I'LL DO WHATEVER I CAN!
THAT YOU'LL DO ANYTHING TO STOP SINDO'S CESSATION?
AH, YES.
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT MY GUT FEELING TELLS ME THIS SHOULDN'T BE THE END FOR HIM.
EVEN IF IT IS FOR ME...

MASTUH!
MASTUH!
HE'S THE DEER, AIN'T HE? AH FOUND HIM!

IT'S TIME.
GULP
GET ON.

HE WAS SLEEPIN' WHEN AH FOUND HIM. HE'S PRETTY GOSH DAEN CUTE!

YES. GOOD JOB.
MY SPELL ON HIS ABILITY TO SEE AVALON'S AFFAIRS SEEMS TO BE WORKING

ORAN.

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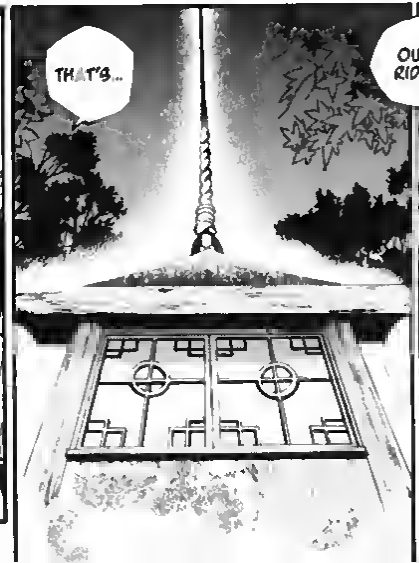

THAT'S..

OUR RIDE.
IT LIFTS US INTO THE HEAVENS.
SO COOOOL!

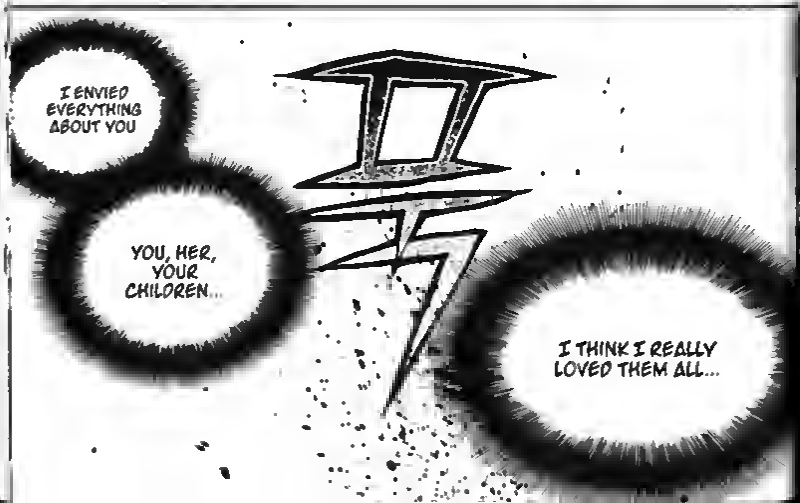
YOU DECIDED TO DO IT?
AH, YES.
I GUESS I'LL BORROW THESE.
SO ALL I NEED TO DO IS FOLLOW THOSE INSTRUCTIONS YOU TOLD ME, HUH?
THIS WILL BE OUR GOOD-BYE, THEN.
GOOD-BYE.
TUNK
슈와

WHOA
WELL, SHALL I GET ON WITH MY BUSINESS?
SO THE BLUE FOR HIM
HEY, BIG BRO
SWALLOW THIS.
EHHH?
ROLL
HM...
THEN...
SO THESE ARE TIME CONTROL CAPSULES
SHE SAID THE RED ONE SPEEDS IT UP WHILE THE BLUE ONE DELAYS IT.
GULP
ALL RIGHT IT WENT DOWN

SO IF I JUST TAKE THIS TIME ACCELERATION CAPSULE...
WOULD YOU STILL BE WILLING TO RESCUE HIM, EVEN IF YOU WOULD CEASE TO EXIST?
ALTHOUGH I WAS ILLEGITIMATE, I LED A BOUNTIFUL LIFE.
I GOT TO ENJOY THINGS OTHERS CAN ONLY DREAM OF.
ALL THESE THINGS...
...MONEY, POWER, MY POSITION ALL STOLEN FROM YOU.
THEN THERE IS A WAY. BEFORE SINDO'S CESSATION IS COMPLETE, THE SOURCE THAT CAUSED HIM TO DRIVE THE BLADE INTO HIMSELF MUST DISAPPEAR INTO ETERNITY.
IT SHOULD BE FAIRLY OBVIOUS THAT YOU ARE THAT REASON THIS MEANS YOU ARE TO ENTER YOUR OWN CESSATION BY STABBING YOURSELF WITH THIS BLADE
I HAD POWER, WOMEN AND ALL OTHER MATERIAL POSSESSIONS PEOPLE TEND TO DROOL OVER
ON TOP OF THAT, I WAS LUCKY ENOUGH TO GOVERN A TOWN THAT WAS TOO WEAK TO REPORT ME TO THE KING FOR MY MISDEEDS
I'M AFRAID MY TOMBSTONE WILL READ "HERE LIES AN EVIL, POWER-OBSESSED SKIRT-CHASER."
BUT I WAS STILL DISSATISFIED.
I TOOK SO MANY OF YOUR THINGS, BUT WHILE I STILL REMAINED ENVIOUS OF YOU, YOU WERE CONTENT-- SO CONTENT WITH YOUR NOTHINGNESS IT ANGERED ME
SHK
WITH THE MANIPULATION OF TIME WITH THESE PILLS, YOU WILL BE GRANTED THE OPPORTUNITY TO CARRY THIS OUT.
HEY, BIG BROTHER
...THE THING IS...

IF ONLY YOU HAD FOUGHT ME OR HATED ME ONCE IN A WHILE LIKE NORMAL, REAL SIBLINGS DO...
IT MAY HAVE BEEN THAT ALL OF THIS WAS BORN FROM MY PATHETIC NEED TO BE VALIDATED
...I WOULDN'T HAVE...

ENOUGH OF THIS
I ALWAYS FELT I WAS BOUND BY YOU


I ENVIED EVERYTHING ABOUT YOU
YOU, HER, YOUR CHILDREN...
I THINK I REALLY LOVED THEM ALL...

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Freedom

TIME PASSED QUICKLY
AND THE NIGHT OF THE FULL MOON CAME AND WENT. THEN ON THE NEXT FULL MOON...
TONIGHT IS THE NIGHT.
IF IT WENT ACCORDING TO PLAN, TIME AND AFFINITIES OF THE TWO SHOULD HAVE CROSSED IN THE TIME ENERGY FIELD
ONLY THING IS...
...CAN THAT MAN BE TRUSTED?
OOH...
AARH
OOH
.....?!
HE REALLY... WENT THROUGH WITH IT.
.....

HUH? AGAIN?
WE HAVE TO GO TO THE WIZARDS' REALM THIS TIME, TOO?
BATHS IN THE HUMAN WORLD HELPS TO UPGRADE YOUR MAGIC, BUT THE WIZARD REALM IS SO SIMILAR TO THE HEAVENS THAT THERE'S HARDLY ANY DIFFERENCE IN THE BATHS HERE OR THERE!
GRUMBLE GRUMBLE
WE HAVE NO CHOICE
THE HUMAN WORLD ROUTE IS PRACTICALLY OWNED BY LADY OREADIA NOWADAYS
AH! ARE YOU GOING WITH US, LADY SERAPHINA?
CAN I SCRUB YOUR BACK?
KYAH!
IT'S SO UNFAIR I WONDER WHAT HIS MAJESTY IS THINKING
YES... I WONDER WHAT HE HAS UP HIS SLEEVE... AND I HEAR SHE'S GOING TO TAKE HER SON ALONG THIS TIME
PAIN
COME ON OUT.
IT'S BEEN A WHILE
I WONDER IF GRANDMA IS OKAY
.....?!
D-DAD?!

AH!
HE GETS MAD WHEN I CALL HIM THAT!
STUMBLE
턱
ACK!
"IT SHOULD'VE BEEN A SIMPLE TASK, STABBING A DETESTABLE GUY LIKE ME."
THUMP
"HE WILL CEASE TO EXIST."
"I THINK I REALLY LOVED THEM ALL."
"THIS WILL BE YOUR SALVATION."
"YOU SHOULD BE THANKING ME, DON'T YOU THINK?"
WOBBLE WOBBLE
WH-WHAT'S WRONG WITH HIM? IS HE HURT?
GO AHEAD AND READ HIM
GULP

H-HE..
...DIED...
...FOR DAD?
BECAUSE...
...EVEN THOUGH HE'S A BAD MAN...
..HE WAS MY...
...REAL FATHER...
!
YOU SAW IT, SO YOU SHOULD KNOW BETTER THAN ME.
I CAN ONLY DEDUCE--
THAT'S SO HARSH!
THAT'S HOW YOU THOUGHT OF HIM? I'M MILDLY SHOCKED.
.....
I KNOW YOU HATED HIM!
BUT YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO FORCE DAD TO STAB HIS OWN BROTHER!
AND YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO KILL UNCLE EVEN IF HE'S THE CAUSE OF ALL THIS MESS!
I DON'T WANT TO ADMIT IT, BUT...
..WHEN HE WAS ACTING AS OUR FATHER, I WAS REALLY HAPPY...
HE CHOSE THAT PATH FOR HIMSELF.
YOU CANNOT TURN THINGS BACK EVEN IF YOU BLAME ME.

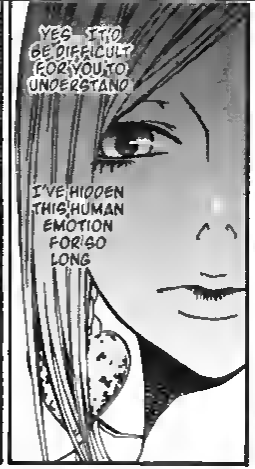
BUT THAT'S NOT WHY YOU'RE HERE.
CAN YOU IMPLANT ALL THE THINGS YOU JUST SAW BACK INTO HIM?
HUH?
A SIMPLE INJECTION, SURE, BUT THAT DOESN'T MAKE THEM HIS MEMORIES
BUT. DAD CAN'T GO IN THE HEAVENS
QUITE TRUE
NOT ONLY IS HE A MERE MAN, HE IS A CRIMINAL
HE STOLE A WINGED ROBE AND IMPREGNATED A FAERIE THESE ARE CRIMES WITH HEAVY PUNISHMENTS.
YET YOU'LL TAKE HIM TO AVALON?!
YES, I PROMISED HIM
IT DOESN'T MATTER.
I CANNOT TAKE HIM TO AVALON IN HIS CURRENT BUMBLING STATE HE NEEDS TO BE CONVERSATIONAL, AT LEAST
?!
WHY?
.....
YOU'RE GOING TO...
...TAKE DAD TO AVALON?
DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND?

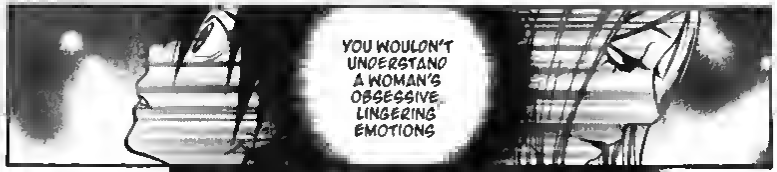
THAT WAY...
...I CAN CONFINE HIM FOREVER.

I...

...DON'T UNDERSTAND
I JUST DON'T GET IT.
DO YOU HATE DAD THAT MUCH?

ISN'T THE OTHER GUY THE ONE YOU HATED?


YES, IT'D BE DIFFICULT FOR YOU TO UNDERSTAND
I'VE HIDDEN THIS HUMAN EMOTION FOR SO LONG


YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND A WOMAN'S OBSESSIVE, LINGERING EMOTIONS

I THINK I SAW SOMETHING JUST NOW
...IN HER.
GET READY WE HAVE TO LEAVE SOON.
COULD IT BE THAT SHE JUST DOESN'T WANT TO PART WITH DAD AGAIN?

AND SO...
...WITH THESE "MEMORIES" INJECTED INTO MY BRAIN, I WAS FORCED UP HERE.
WHEN I GOT HERE, SOMEONE READ FROM THIS LONG LIST OF CRIMES I SUPPOSEDLY COMMITTED.
THEN SHE IMPRISONED ME IN A TINY THING ON MY NECK. I'VE BEEN IN HERE EVER SINCE.
AND SO ENDS...
CLAP
...THE LONG-ASS TALE OF SINDO THAT I NAMED, "THE STORY I DON'T CARE ABOUT"!
AH...
THAT'S IT.
I'M SURE YOU CAN TAKE IT FROM HERE.
BE-SIDES...
ONCE IN A WHILE, YOUR MOTHER WOULD STOP BY AND TALK. DUNNO WHAT SHE SAID, BUT I DID NOTICE, AND APPRECIATED, HER INCREASINGLY SKIMPIER GOWNS
HER LAST VISIT WAS...
...ABOUT 158 YEARS AGO?
...WE HAVE VISITORS.
THEY'LL BE HERE SOON.
WELL, AT LEAST I CAN FINALLY BE FREE AND GO THROUGH THAT CESSATION PROCESS MYSELF.

.....
PLEASE WAIT WHILE FANTA ATTEMPTS TO FIX THE INFORMATION OVERLOAD

WHAT DO YOU MEAN...
..BY THAT?

I'M GOING TO DISAPPEAR--CEASE TO EXIST--LIKE ORAN

WHAT? WHY?
KIO, I'M JUST A HUMAN BEING.

THIS PILLORY...
...IS THE THING THAT SUSTAINED ME HERE ALL THESE YEARS

AH! THAT'S WHY MOTHER WAS--

WELL, I DON'T NEED YOU ANYMORE, SUCKER!
HEH HEH HEH

NO WAY!
I'M SORRY! I DIDN'T EVEN THINK TO...

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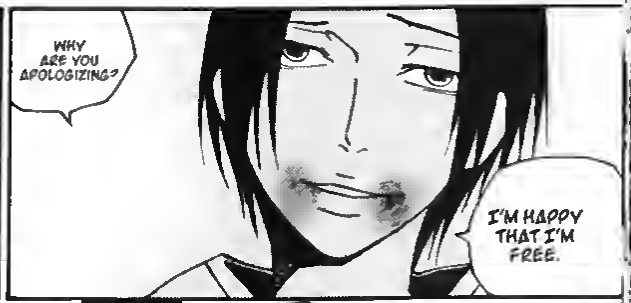
WHY ARE YOU APOLOGIZING?
I'M HAPPY THAT I'M FREE.

BEING KEPT ALIVE HERE, IMPRISONED AGAINST MY WILL...

...I HATED LIVING.

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Danger in Avalon
SO...
...I THANK YOU. HONESTLY.
!!
THIS IS ALL... BECAUSE OF ME...

FANTA?
.....
...WENT THROUGH CESSATION.
—!
THEY'RE...
.GONE?
FINALLY...
YOU CAN REST NOW...MOTHER...
I SEE
IT'S ALL BECAUSE OF ME
?!
HEY! WHAT'S WRONG?
GET A-HOLD OF YOURSELF!
MOTHER... AND FATHER...
I'M SUCH AN IDIOT.
I WAS HAPPY WITHOUT KNOWING MY PAST.
WHY DID I HAVE TO UNSEAL MY POWERS?
AND WHY DID I GRANT FATHER'S REQUEST?

AH...
SO LET'S JUST LET THEM GO.
THAT'S WHAT IT WAS!
NO...
IT HAD TO BE THAT WAY.
THAT EXPRESSION OF RELIEF ON THEIR FACES.
UH-HUH. OKAY
I WON'T CRY ANYMORE
HEY, UM...
THOSE TWO SUFFERED A LOT.
NOW THEY'RE FINALLY FREE.
BUT--!
THE PART OF YOU THAT WON'T LET GO IS...
...YOUR SELFISHNESS

SORRY TO INTERRUPT THIS BEAUTIFUL BROTHER-SISTER BONDING MOMENT...
BUT WE'RE IN A BIT OF A HURRY..
HEY, THAT FOX!
IS IT REALLY CHARON?
EXCUSE ME FOR A MOMENT.
WHAT? CHARON?
.....
YEAH, I'M SURE.
!!
A POWERFUL SPELL WAS CAST ON YOU
INDEED, HIS MAJESTY IS THE ONLY LIKELY SUSPECT.
ELENA! YOU CAN'T--
AND...
. THIS SPELL SEEMS TO SPROUT FROM THE MAGIC FORCE UNIQUE TO HIS BODY CONSTITUTION.
IN ORDER TO REMOVE THIS SPELL, THE CASTER HIMSELF MUST--

—?!
KYAH!
WH-WHAT'S GOING ON?!

THE SPELL...
...IS BROKEN...
CHARON!
CHARON! YOU OKAY?
NNG
HIS MAJESTY... AND THE HEAVENS... BOTH IN DANGER...!
KYAAAH!

S-SIRE!
ARE YOU OKAY?
HMM. I GUESS THIS IS IT...

TSK, TSK
I TOLD YOU TO HURRY THIS STUFF UP

NONE OF THAT JUST DO SOMETHING

WHO ARE YOU?

OH, I'M SAMSIN.
SINCE THE HOST OF THE PARTY SO RUDELY ABANDONED ME, I THOUGHT I'D FIND HIM AND BRING THE PARTY TO HIM.

SIRE!
DON'T MOVE! I'LL GO AND GET THE DOCTOR.

I NEED TO GO AND CALL THE DOCTOR...
SOMEONE, ANYONE, HELP!

?!
OH MY!
I WONDERED WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU WHAT'S GOING ON?

SAM-SIN?
SAMPSON'S NIECE MAYBE?

S-S-S-SAM...
...SIN !!!

I-I-I-I-I'VE COMMITTED A GRAAAAVE CRIME!
HEY, YOU'RE OVER-DOING IT

WHEN DID THIS HAPPEN?
HE FELL NOT TOO LONG AGO.
HM...
FAERIE OREADIA MUST'VE BEEN ABSORBED BY HER DAUGHTER.
HUH?
FAERIE OREADIA WAS THE KING'S SHIELD FROM FANTA, SO LOSING HER MUST'VE DEALT HIM A WALLOP.
YOU SEE, FAERIE OREADIA, FANTA AND THE KING HERE COEXISTED IN A DELICATE BALANCE.
WOULD'VE BEEN SO EASY IF OREADIA HAD BEEN ABSORBED BY MY CLAY SOLDIER!
THEN...
...THE REASON SIRE COLLAPSED IS THAT DAMNABLE MOTHER-DAUGHTER DUO?
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
THOSE DAMN, DIRTY, DISGUSTING WITCHES!
ACTUALLY, THE KING ONLY GOT WHAT HE DESERVED. IT'S THE...
AH, WELL. NEVER MIND. BETTER IF SHE'S KEPT IN THE DARK.
I HAD NO IDEA...
...THAT HIS MAJESTY HAD GROWN THAT WEAK.
WHAT CAN I DO?
HM?

IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN DO FOR HIM?
I'LL DO ANYTHING!
.....
ANYTHING?
EH?
WELL YOU SAID ANYTHING...
...SO WILL YOU GIVE UP YOUR LIFE?
OF COURSE! I'LL DO ANYTHING WITHIN MY POWERS!
IN THAT CASE..
...CAN YOU GIVE UP YOUR LIFE?
SIRE...
EH, THAT'S ASKING FOR TOO MUCH, I SUPPOSE
TAKE IT!

I-IF MY LIFE CAN BE OF SOME HELP, TH-THEN...I'LL GLADLY SACRIFICE MYSELF FOR HIM.
JEEZ, DON'T GET TOO DRAMATIC
MAYBE I SHOULD TRY PULLING A SAD FACE? LOOK AT ALL THAT THE SHE'S GETTING
KNOW THAT YOU'RE LOVED, KINGY YOU DON'T DESERVE IT, YOU KNOW.
THUD
EEK!
?!
INDEED ..
...YOUR LIFE ISN'T WORTH ALL THAT MUCH THE RECEIVING PARTY MIGHT NOT BE ECSTATIC WITH IT
WH-WHAT'S WITH THIS MEAN TREATMENT I'VE BEEN GETTING SINCE YESTERDAY?
BUT I DIDN'T SAY IT WAS COMPLETELY WORTHLESS.
YOU ALWAYS SEEM TO BE AT THE RIGHT PLACE, AT THE RIGHT TIME. TIMING IS EVERYTHING, DON'TCHA KNOW. ♡

HEY, CHARÓN! HOW ARE YOU DOING?
AH... I'M... RECOVERING SLOWLY.
I JUST NEED... TIME
BUT DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME JUST HURRY
PAIN, TELL ME. WHY WAS CHARON TURNED INTO THE NINE-TAILED FOX?
AND IS SOMETHING HAPPENING TO THE KING?
YOU'LL SOON FIND OUT.
WAIT JUST A MOMENT LONGER.
I DON'T KNOW WHY...
BUT EVERYONE LOOKS SO SERIOUS.

I DON'T THINK I CAN TAKE ANY MORE BAD NEWS TODAY...
FINALLY, WE'RE AT THE BANQUET!
WHAT ARE THOSE THINGS?
HOLD ON JUST A BIT LONGER, CHARON
I THINK WE'RE TOO LATE.
LOOK!
EVERYONE INCLUDING THE DOCTORS, SHOULD BE OVER THERE RIGHT NOW
LATE FOR WHAT?
THERE'S SOMETHING BEHIND THE BANQUET HALL!

THOSE THINGS AREN'T HERE TO HELP US.

PAIN SOMETHING STRANGE IS UP THERE
THEY LOOK LIKE GIGANTIC BOWLING PINS
.....
THEY'RE CLAY DOLLS USED FOR SPELL CASTING
CLAY DOLLS FOR SPELL CASTING? WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THEM?
NOT MUCH ONE THING I DO KNOW...

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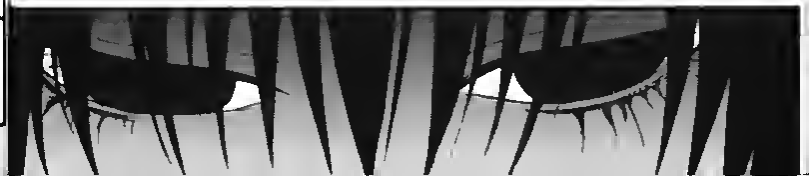
AREN'T THOSE...
THE CLAY FIGURES THAT LADY SAMGIN HAD WITH HER?
THINK SO?



ON BEHALF OF EVERYONE HERE AT TOKYOPOP, THE EDITORS OF FAERIES' LANDING WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO FANTA AND PAIN FOR THEIR TRAGIC LOSS. WE ARE, OF COURSE, TALKING ABOUT THE CESSATION OF THEIR MOTHER (AND THEIR FATHER, TOO, I GUESS...) FOR OUR FAIR FAERIE OREADIA, WE HAVE COMPILED THIS FABULOUS OUTLINE OF HER FANTASTIC CONTRIBUTIONS TO FAERIES' LANDING.

EPISODES 1-46: COMPLETE AND UTTER ABSENCE OF OREADIA. INSTEAD, WE HAD THE TOTALLY HOT, CHEERY, UNASSUMING MS. YUN IN ALL HER CAMOUFLAGE-LOVING GLORY. AH... GOOD TIMES.

EPISODE 47: ONLY AFTER SEVEN SHORT VOLUMES OUR OREADIA MADE HER DEBUT WITH THIS HEART STOPPING LINE: "IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME."

EPISODE 55: GONE AGAIN AFTER DELIVERING THAT COMPELLING LINE, OREADIA ATTEMPTED A COMEBACK BY "PURIFYING" AN EVIL AFFINITY. (ACTUALLY, SHE FRIED HIS GIZZARDS.)

EPISODE 63: FAILING TO MAKE A SPLASH IN EPISODE 55, OREADIA ONCE AGAIN DARED TO GET MORE INK BY SLICING A GUARD FAERIE DOWN IN AVALON. THEN SHE REVEALED HERSELF TO BE THE PUPPETEER BEHIND THE FORCES THAT TRIED TO KILL FANTA. IT WORKED. SHE DIDN'T GO AWAY FROM THIS POINT ON.

VOLUME 10: GRACED THE COVER OF THIS VOLUME. DID NOTHING MUCH OTHERWISE.

VOLUME 12: ANOTHER COVER FOR OUR OREADIA. SHE ALSO MUST'VE USED HER MANIPULATION SPELL ON OUR AUTHOR TO CHUCK THE STORYLINE OF DISPELLING THE 108 AFFINITIES. SHE EMERGED AS THE MAIN CHARACTER AS WE TIME-TRAVELED BACK TO ANCIENT KOREA.

VOLUME 13-16: STILL IN ANCIENT KOREA, WE LEARNED OREADIA WAS RAPED, HAD KIDS AND BECAME ORAN.

EPISODE 97: BACK TO THE PRESENT TIME, OREADIA LEVELED DOWN AND HER WINGED DRESS GOT SKIMPIER.

THIS VOLUME: GONE! DECEASED! DEAD! CESSATED! (NO SUCH WORD, YOU SAY? THERE IS NOW!)

AS SOON AS THE JOYOUS CHORUS OF "DING-DONG THE (W) ITCH IS DEAD!" SUBSIDES, WE'LL BE BACK WITH MORE...

FAERIES' LANDING

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